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DEPARTMENT PASS COMMERCE

FOR SECRETARY DENT FROM AMBASSADOR

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1. ON AUGUST 24, I ASKED VICE FOREIGN MINISTER SPASOWSKI IF HIS GOVERNMENT DESIRED A TWO-DAY MEETING OF THE COMMISSION. SPASOWSKI SAID THAT, WHILE IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THE POLISH GOVERNMENT TO ENGAGE IN DEFINITIVE PLANNING AT THIS POINT, SINCE FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER OLECHOWSKI IS OUT OF THE COUNTRY(HE IS EXPECTED BACK NEXT WEEK), HE WOULD GIVE ME A PROVISIONAL ANSWER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

2. SPASOWSKI TELEPHONED AUGUST 27 TO SAY THAT HIS GOVERNMENT THOUGHT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO RESERVE TWO DAYS FOR TALKS.

3. SPASOWSKI SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD ALSO LIKE TO OFFER DECRETARY DENT HOSPITALITY BEYOND THE FRAMEWORK OF THE TWO DAYS OF OFFICIAL TALKS. IF YOU
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COULD PALN TO SPEND AN ADDITONAL ONE, TWO, OR THREE

DAYS IN POLAND, THE POLISH GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO ARRANGE A PROGRAM MEETING YOUR DESIRES. FOR INSTANCE, IF YOU WISHED TO VISIT INDUSTRIAL PLANTS OR HISTORICAL SITES, THE APPROPRIATE ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE MADE. SPASLOWSKI ASKED THAT I INQUIRE ABOUT YOUR PREFERENCES AND LET HIM KNOW, SO THAT PLANNING MIGHT BEGIN.

4. SPASOWSKI SAID THAT TENTATIVELY HE WAS CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY THAT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO COME HERE ON THE 26TH, SPEND TWO DAYS IN MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION, AND THEN PROCEED WITH A PROGRAM OF VISITS OUTSIDE WARSAW AND SIGHTSEEING DURING THE TIME REMAINING BEFORE YOU DEPARTED FOR MOSCOW ON THE 30TH OR THE 1ST OF OCTOBER. HE STRESSED THAT HIS THINKING WAS TENTATIVE AND COULD BE FIRMED UP ONLY AFTER OLECHOWSKI RETURNS, BUT SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO GET YOUR REACTION TO (A) THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS SORT OF GENERAL APPROACH, (B) WHETHER OR NOT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEND A DAY OR TWO SIGHTSEEING, AND (C), IF SO, ON WHICH AREAS OF INTEREST YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONCENTRATE.

5. THE POZNAN FALL FAIR OPENS ON SEPT 2 AND MINISTER OLECHOWSKI AND MOST OF HIS PRINCIPAL COLLABORATORS WILL HAVE TO BE IN POZNAN FOR THE OPENING FOR TWO OR THREE DAYS FOLLOWING IT. WITHOUT DOUBT, THAT IS THE REASON THAT SPASOWSKI IS EXPRESSING A PREFERENCE FOR THE END OF THAT WEEK.

6. I HOPE YOU WILL FIND IT POSSIBLE TO ACCEPT THE GENERAL APPROACH SPASOWSKI OUTLINES. IF SO, WE WOULD SUGGEST A ONE-OR TWO-DAY SCHEDULE OUTSIDE WARSAW, WHICH WOULD INVOLVE BRIEF VISITS TO A COUPLE OF INDUSTRIAL SITES WHERE AMERICAN FIRMS ARE ENGAGED, TOGETHER WITH SOME SIGHTSEEING. IF YOU ACCEPT, WE WOULD SUGGEST SPECIFIC SITES.
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